

REMARKS

Original Claims 1-22 have been cancelled in favor of new Claims 23-41. The new claims correspond to the claims submitted for international preliminary examination, except that multiple dependencies and omnibus claims have been eliminated.

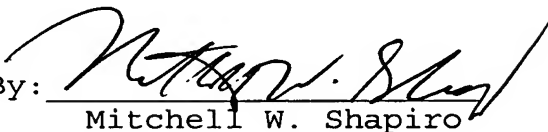
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 any fees that may be required by this paper and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been requested separately, such extension is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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